

**Please note that this Language Policy is for the previous admission cycle and is subject to change for the current admission year. Please use this as a guide in the meantime. The new policy will be added later in the year. If you have any questions or concerns, contact the MFin admissions team**

### **1. Conditions where you would not need a TOEFL/IELTS test**

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A TOEFL/IELTS test is not normally required if:

1. You are a national of and have studied at a secondary or tertiary level in a List A country (see list below); or
2. You have completed formalised education, equivalent to a UK Bachelor's Degree, for a minimum of three years in an academic institution located in the following list. The graduation date must be within 30 months of the start date of the Cambridge MFin programme; or
3. You have completed formalised education, equivalent to a UK Bachelor's Degree, for a minimum of three years in an academic institution located in the following list AND have been working in a country located in the following list since completing your degree:

<b>List A</b>	
• Antigua and Barbuda	• Gibraltar
• Australia (also Christmas Island, Norfolk Island, Keeling Islands, Cocos Islands)	• Grenada
• Bahamas	• Guyana
• Barbados	• Irish Republic
• Belize	• Jamaica
• Bermuda	• Malta
• British Antarctic Territory (also British Antarctica)	• New Zealand (also Niue, Tokelau, Cokelau, Cook Islands)
• British Indian Ocean Territory (also Chagos Archipelago, Indian Ocean Territory)	• St Kitts and St Nevis
• British Virgin Islands	• St Lucia,
• Canada (with the exception of the French-speaking areas)	• St Vincent and the Grenadines
• Channel Islands	• Trinidad and Tobago
• Dominica	• UK
• Falkland Islands	• Isle of Man
	• US

## 2. Conditions where an internal assessment by the University's Language Centre would be required

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A TOEFL/IELTS test is not normally required, however, you will be assessed upon admission internally by the University's Language Centre if:

- a) You are a national of and have studied at a secondary or tertiary level in a List B country (see list below); or
- b) You have completed a three-year qualification equivalent to a UK Bachelor's Degree or above in an academic institution located in the following list, and the graduation date must be within two years of the start date of the MFin programme; or

<b>List B</b>	
• Botswana	• Sri Lanka
• Ghana	• Singapore
• India	• Sudan
• Kenya	• Swaziland
• Mauritius	• Uganda
• Netherlands	• West Indies (excepting those in List A)
• Nigeria	• Zambia
• South Africa	• Zimbabwe

- c) You have completed degree-level education for a minimum of two years in an English-speaking academic institution, and the graduation date must be within two years of the start date of the Cambridge MFin programme. Documents are required to provide evidence of EMI (English as Medium of Instruction); or
- d) You have completed a two-year qualification equivalent to a UK Bachelor's Degree or above in a **List A country** AND have been working in a country located in List A for at least six months within two years of the start date of the Cambridge MFin programme. If you are given an offer and would like to be referred for internal assessment you will be given a declaration document for your company HR to sign confirming your dates and location of employment; or
- e) You have completed a two-year qualification equivalent to a UK Bachelor's Degree or above in a **List A country** AND have been working for an international company whose official operating language is English for at least six months within two years of the start date of the Cambridge MFin programme. If you are given an offer and would like to be referred for internal assessment you will be given a declaration document for your company HR to sign confirming your dates of employment and that English is the official language.

### **3. Conditions where a TOEFL/IELTS test would be required**

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If none of the above applies, you are required to take either the TOEFL iBT or IELTS (Academic or UKVI Academic). TOEFL iBT Home Edition and IELTS Indicator scores are also accepted. The minimum English language requirements for admission into the Cambridge MFin are as follows:

1. A valid TOEFL score of at least 100 with no component less than 25, taken within two years of the programme start date (our TOEFL institution code is 0908); or
2. A valid IELTS score of at least 7.0 with minimum component scores of 7.0 in Speaking, Listening and Writing and 6.5 in Reading, taken within two years of the programme start date.

If you have 'narrowly missed' the minimum required levels in either the TOEFL or IELTS, then you may be referred to the Language Centre for assessment, upon admission by your Admissions Coordinator. Definitions of a "narrow miss" can be found below:

1. A valid TOEFL score of at least 95 with component scores no lower than:
  - a. Listening – 22
  - b. Writing – 22
  - c. Reading – 22
  - d. Speaking – 19
2. A valid IELTS score of at least 6.5 with no component score lower than 6.0

**Please be aware that it is at the discretion of the Admissions Committee to introduce a TOEFL/IELTS test or internal Language Centre Assessment requirement at any stage in the admissions process, even if you have complied with the conditions outlined above.**